IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.GIRI

WEDNESDAY, THE 17TH OCTOBER 2007 / 25TH ASWINA 1929

WP(C).No. 27240 of 2007(P)

PETITIONERS:
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1. **P.KRISN BABU, RESHMI NIVAS, PV NORTH, THAZHAVA PO,KARUNAGAPPILLY,KOLLAM DISTRICT.**

2. **G.SHAJIMON,THENGAVIL THRAYIL, THODIYOOR NORTH,KARUNAGAPPILLY,KOLLAM DISTRICT.**

3. **T.SATHEESH KUMAR, CHOOZHAM VILAKATH, PALLICHAL,NEMOM PO,THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-20.**

BY ADV. SRI.A.JAYASANKAR
SRI.MANU GOVIND

RESPONDENTS:
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1. **STATE OF KERALA,REPRESENTED BY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,IRRIGATION (WS) DEPARTMENT,GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-1.**

2. **KERALA WATER AUTHORITY,REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR,JALA BHAVAN, THRIVANANTHAPURAM-33.**

3. **KERALA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY, PATTOM,THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.**

BY ADV. SRI.ALEXANDER THOMAS,SC,KPSC
SRI.J.KRISHNA KUMAR, SC, KWA

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 17/10/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

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V.GIRI, J.

W.P.(C). NO. 27240 OF 2007

Dated this the 17th day of October, 2007

J U D G M E N T

Petitioners are empanelled in a rank list published by the Kerala Public Service Commission in relation to the post of Meter Readers. Rank list was published on 7.10.04 and its period of validity is over.

2. Learned Standing Counsel for the Kerala Water Authority submits that entire vacancies in relation to the post of Meter Readers were reported during the currency of the ranked list. According to them, they have sought for an increase in the cadre strength, which is evidenced by Ext.P3. It is up to the Government to take a decision on the proposal made by the Kerala Water Authority for increasing the cadre strength of Meter Readers.

3. Having heard learned counsel for the parties, the writ petition is disposed of directing the Government to take a decision on the proposal made by the Kerala Water Authority for increasing the cadre strength of Meter Readers. A decision thereon shall be taken, as early as possible and at any rate within three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. The Kerala Water Authority shall produce a certified copy of this judgment before the Government for compliance.

No further directions are required in this writ petition and the same is disposed of as above.

V.GIRI, JUDGE

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